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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

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Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 38 claims (6 independent), 28 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-28) and the filing fee of \$1,246.00 on behalf of

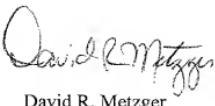
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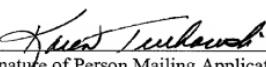
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